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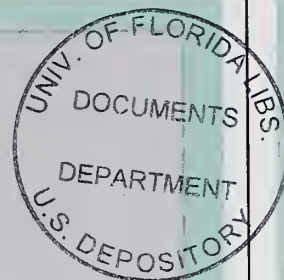
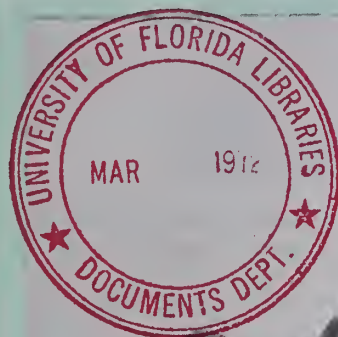
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PIRATES AND BOOTY

circa 1971

This motley crew of swabbies swiped Kagnew Station's Army Flag and Canon. Outrageous . . . and all part of the fund-raising fun during last year's ASA Benefit Association drive. See pages 5 through 9.

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COL Jones

Colonel Russell B. Jones, Jr., CO, FS Asmara, Ethiopia (Kagnew Station) since July 1970 is now recuperating at Bethesda Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland. On February 29, 1972 Major General Charles J. Denholm, CG USASA awarded him the Legion of Merit for his service in Asmara.



LTC Zoeckler

Lieutenant Colonel William R. Zoeckler, CO of FS Korea at Pyong Taek since July 1971, was initially evacuated to Walter Reed Army Hospital but has since been transferred to the Medical Department Activity, USAHSTC, Fort Gordon, Georgia. Prior to his departure from the Washington, D.C. area, the CG presented him with the Legion of Merit for his service in Korea.

The families of both men encourage well wishers and friends to write or visit.

Our Cover—The only thing serious about these members of Kagnew Station's Naval Security Group (with captured Army goodies) is the purpose behind their prank. ASAs Benefit Association fund drive was a combined effort . . . and everybody pitched in.

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Amateur Short Story Contest

The Armed Forces Writers League is again offering cash prizes and professional manuscript criticism for amateur fiction writers through its annual Amateur Short Story Contest. There will be \$100 in cash plus other valuable awards, but for many contestants the most important incentive will be that all entrants will receive professional evaluation reports on their work.

The contest, which is open to military personnel, dependents, civilian employees, veterans and others interested in the Armed Forces, is for unpublished stories of 1800 words or less on any subject. Deadline date is April 1. All entries must be accompanied by an official entry form.

There is a \$50 first prize and 25 other cash awards in addition to free subscriptions to the *Writer*,

Writers Digest and *Armed Forces Writer & Journalist*. This competition is intended to encourage beginners and new talent—professional fiction writers may not enter. Entries will be judged anonymously by a group of professional writers and editors in New York who will also

provide evaluation reports on each entry.

To obtain entry forms and a free copy of the AFWL's manuscript style sheet write to Contest Department, *Armed Forces Writers League*, George Washington Station, Alexandria, Virginia 22305.



USASA CSM Ball Set For May 6

The annual Spring Ball, formerly called the NCO Ball, was recently renamed the USASA Command Sergeant Major's Ball. This year the CSM Ball will be held May 6 in the American Legion Hall, Fairfax, Virginia.

The planners understandably expect this to be one of the best ever held. The soiree starts at 7:30 PM with a reception. Following the reception and a round of cheer, a buffet of steamship round, ham, and assorted salads will be served.

The Ball is open to all Non-commissioned Officers (E4-E9), Specialists in grades of E6 and E7 assigned or attached to USASA and retired NCOs

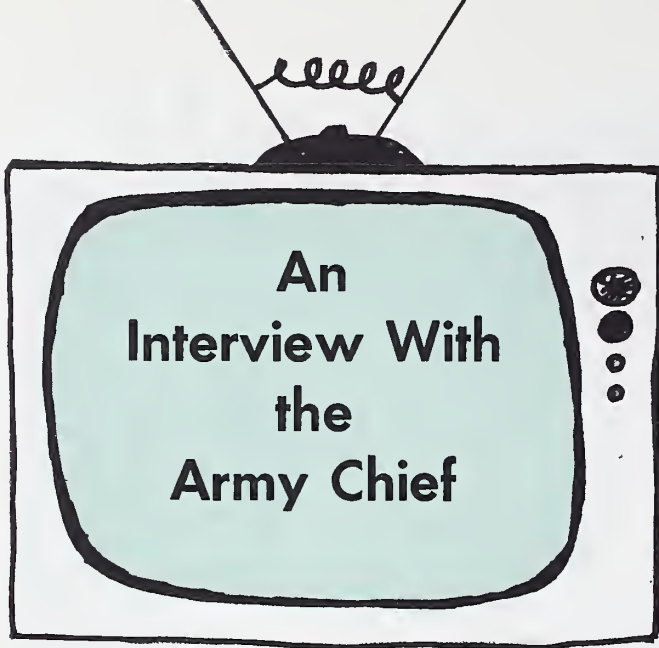
formerly assigned or attached to US ASA. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and will be available from the following key men:

- CSM Francis Lormand, Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Virginia.
- CSM Robert Myers, USASA Support Group, Fort George G. Meade, Maryland.
- CSM Robert Snyder, Vint Hill Farms Station, Warrenton, Virginia.
- SGM Bruce Eudy, MSC, Vint Hill Farms Station, Warrenton, Virginia.

Dress will be formal gowns, cocktail dresses and pant suits for the ladies, Blue Dress or the Green Uni-

form, with white shirts and bow ties for military personnel on active duty and the uniform or tuxedo for retired personnel.

Only two hundred reservations for the Main Ballroom of the Legion Hall are available on a first come first served basis. An adjoining room, which can accommodate approximately 25 couples, will be available for late comers. Reservations should be made early. Retired and active duty personnel who reside away from the Military District of Washington area and who have a desire to attend, should contact CSM Lormand; telephone number is 202-692-2731 or autovon 22-27310.



Army Chief of Staff, General William C. Westmoreland has some ideas and opinions on why the Army is not exactly riding on the crest of public esteem and gratitude. His remarks have been excerpted from a December 19, 1971 interview seen on Face the Nation, a presentation of CBS Television. The interviewer is TV reporter John Hart.

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: I think we have a problem with respect to image. I think this is improving steadily, but it's not surprising, because the Army's carried the major burden of the Vietnam War for six years—we've taken two-thirds of the casualties, we've taken most of the public abuse. We've had some in our ranks who have not conducted themselves properly. These individuals have been given inordinate visibility. So our image has been affected by this, but I think it's on its way up. And I predict it will continue.

HART: Was it not destructive to the Army to ask them to take less than victory out of Vietnam?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: Six years of war where we carried the major burden has taken its toll on our morale, on our standards and our professionalism. And particularly disruptive has been this great turnover in personnel. Certainly, this has had a degrading effect on our morale, but we're snapping back rapidly. I'm extremely encouraged, extremely pleased with the way things are going; although we've got a long way to go.

HART: When you speak of public abuse, is that abuse rooted in the public's perception of the Army or did the Army make some fundamental errors, or were there some fundamental breakdowns?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: Well, I think it's basically the result of six long years of war, where the patience of the American public grew thin. I think it has been a tendency for the military to be a whipping boy of the national frustrations. This is beginning to pass. I think, unhappily, a lot of the anti-war sentiment in this country has become an anti-military sentiment. And I think this

is a very dangerous state of mind.

HART: Why did it pass, or why is it passing?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: Because we're drawing down our troops in South Vietnam, and that war is grinding to a close.

HART: Was that limited mission—the no-win mission—unfair on the part of an Administration to ask of an Army?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: Oh, I don't think it was unfair. The policy decision was made by our senior leadership after considering all the factors involved, and many things had to be considered by our top level leadership. So I would not at all categorize these decisions as unfair. And the Army has been stretched by it. We've got some scars on our institutional body, and a few open wounds, but our heads are high.

HART: When you talk about making the Army attractive, do you want young men highly motivated with consciences, and, what do you say to the young man who says—looking at this as an institution and its most recent history—why should I join an institution that allowed a Mylai to happen and allowed a sergeant major to steal from the men, and allowed all of these lapses and worse?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: Well, when you consider these unhappy incidents, they were really quite few in number, considering the number of officers and men who have passed through our ranks in the last six years. Mylai was an aberration in the system, it was something that should not have happened but it did happen. And, inevitably, in any organization sometimes an individual will move to a position of responsibility and not conduct himself in accordance with the ethics that have always been demanded by the military profession. But you cannot blame the thousands and millions of officers and men who have served their country honorably because of the derelictions of a very few.

HART: What are the problems that you have now in making a new Army?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: I would say, first, the problem of stabilizing our ranks. And I've described earlier the personnel turmoil which has resulted from one-third of our trained strength being in the one-year tour areas. Next, the problem of moving from an Army of a million and a half men down to an Army of 900,000 men. The problem of eliminating from our ranks certain mediocrity that has crept into our ranks. Once we stabilize our ranks and once we get the funds in order to improve the conditions under which our soldiers, our officers and their dependents live, and as we put into effect many of the new policies which includes overriding emphasis on improving professionalism, we will build an Army that will be second to none in the history of the United States, this I am convinced of.

And finally it's absolutely essential to have a greater degree of public support. If the soldier is degraded, if his profession is not respected and not recognized as essential to the country, we can hardly expect quality men to enlist in the numbers required to have a volunteer force. The country cannot have it both ways. They cannot degrade the military and at the same time expect to eliminate the draft.



Souvenir sorrows—If you've been enjoying a little of that other kind of tobacco, it's wise not to advertise the fact. Customs officials will not greet you with a smile after locating the pipe and roach clip you brought back to the States as "souvenirs." Upon lo-

cation of that nasty little pipe with that funny smell you will probably be escorted into the next room to answer a couple of questions.

Customs officials also have a hard time believing that many GI's are true scientists and botanists at heart when they find marijuana seeds planted neatly inside a sock or mixed with your cigarettes. The risk in bringing these items home with you isn't worth the trouble they may cause.

Other items somehow "turn up" too. It's nice to have firearms for protection in Vietnam, but it's not too neat to tuck one away in your suitcase; it's sure to be found.

If you are a real souvenir collector, bring home silk, ivory carvings and perfume from the far away lands to enhance your collection. Leave the hot stuff behind.

It was a very good year for the 7th Radio Research Field Station. Winning the Commanding General's Plaque and the Travis Trophy during the same year perhaps prompted this latest laurel. For the period July 1, 1970 to Sept. 30, 1971, the 7th RRFSS has been awarded the Meritorious Unit Citation. Department of the Army General Order No. 8, dated Jan. 6, '72, cites the unit's extraordinary support, remarkable proficiency and diligence which contributed significantly to US efforts in Southeast Asia.

The Air Force has given an Outstanding Unit Award to ASAFS Shemya for service during July 1, 1968 through June 30, 1970. DA General Order 50, dated November 9, 1971 was issued to ASAFS Shemya for exceptionally meritorious support of Air Force military operations.

The 313th RR Bn, Vietnam, also received the Meritorious Unit Citation. Issued on November 10, 1971, by DA General Order 51, the 313th received the award for performance between July 1968 and June 1969.

On November 9, 1971, the 138th Aviation Co. (RR) in I Corps Tactical Zone was awarded the Meritorious Unit Citation by the Navy for contributions to the mission of the III Marine Amphibious Force by conducting countless flying missions, often under adverse conditions. They rendered invaluable support to major commands in I Corps. The award, by DA General Order 50, was issued for the period May 1, 1967 to July 31, 1969.

A copy of the citation and the ribbon may be obtained by writing to ODCSPER, Attn: MPP, HQ USASA, AHS, VA.



Aspirin doesn't always make it—If you've got that tired run down feeling and just ache all over, you're in luck! (If you live in Iowa, Minnesota, Vermont, West Virginia or Wisconsin.)

Military dependents residing in these states no longer have to obtain a non-availability statement to obtain care through CHAMPUS.

Others too can qualify under a new DoD ruling. Dependents in other states who live more than 30 miles from a uniformed service hospital may also turn to CHAMPUS and hope to feel better.

Tailored Training

The days of rigorous yearly training requirements are gone. Realizing that exposure to a given number of hours of instruction is not an indication of understanding, General Westmoreland announced last year that unit commanders will henceforth train individuals without reference to specified guidelines.

Department of the Army has kept only two of its requirements. Military justice instruction remains as a one-time requirement and two hours of instruction a year is required by law on the provisions of the Geneva and Hague Conventions.

Records were formerly kept up to date on an individual's hourly completion of character guidance instruction, mental and physical hygiene and PT tests. These records may still be kept if the commander wishes, but are not subject to scrutiny by the Inspector General.

These announcements were made public June 31, but it was not until early November that written guidelines were set down for commanders. In mid-January, ASA directed that in addition to the two DA requirements, ASA units will have one hour of security education quarterly. Personnel assigned to ASA tactical units will have to take a PT test and will be required to qualify with weapons. All other unit training will be left up to the individual commander.

These commanders will not report on their training activities, but will be asked to submit their training objectives each year to ASA headquarters. Thus, if a CO feels his particular unit is having a drug or alcohol problem, he will incorporate pertinent instruction and programs into his plan. It is then his sole responsibility to follow through with the plan.

This policy will not hold true for basic and individual training, preparing individuals and units for movement overseas or for courses in various service schools.



pass in review

A roundup of ASA news from Hallmark correspondents



8th RRFS Phu Bai—Mrs. Susan Burghardt, above, Staff Supervisor for the USO Saigon Telephone Service, actually installed the Call-Home circuit at the field station's service club. She has the distinction of being the only lady type person in South Vietnam with this ability . . . Right on, Womens' Lib!

Reunion

Massachusetts—Late last year, the old timers from the 224th Aviation Bn met in the Bull Run Restaurant (of all places) for their second annual reunion. Comprised of men located near and around the Ft. Devens area, the reunion is not yet truly representative of the unit. Next year, SFC Raymond Hildebrand and his committee hope the attendance figure surpasses this year's total of 32. Good times, old friends, a feast and some hilarious skits are being prepared for this year's reunion to be held during the summer. Contact SFC R.H. Hilde-

brand, Opns Co. USASASB, Box 9, Ft. Devens, Mass. 01433, for details.

Turkey

Sinop—An ambitious 'self help' program culminated recently with a celebration to open the redecorated cocktail lounge at the Black Sea NCO Open Mess.

The previously drab club was spruced-up and remodeled by volunteers who now have someplace to relax and entertain guests.

In the words of one young volunteer, "I feel this new lounge should attract more people . . . and it just lifts my morale to see all the improvements."

Germany

HQ 502d Gp, Augsburg—Specialist 5 David P. Forgas, staff photographer and photo lab technician for the *Flak Profile*, has been awarded Best In Show in the USAREUR phase of the 14th Interservice Photography Contest.

His color slide "Alone II" depicted a young boy rowing alone on a lake at late evening. The picture also won First Place in the "People" category for color transparencies.

Another ASAer also received recognition in the USAREUR phase of the photography contest. Captain David Crosson, OIC of the *Flak Profile*, was awarded an Honorable Mention in color slides for his still life "Singular". In addition, an unjudged color print by CPT Crosson was forwarded for consideration at the Department of the Army level.

North Carolina

313th ASA Bn, Ft. Bragg—Specialist 5 Thomas W. Dolan received \$10,000 for his recent 4 year reenlistment filling his own vacancy.

With a wife and three young sons,

Dolan figures the dough is pretty well ear-marked.

Texas

Goodfellow AFB, San Angelo—Specialist 6 Ernest Gallegos, tri-service section chief in the USAF Security Service School and a member of the ASA TC&S Det, is one of six local servicemen to receive the Distinguished Military Citizenship Award from the San Angelo Board of City Development.

The awards are presented annually in recognition of exceptional civic and military leadership qualities both on and off base.

Gallegos is a Cub Scoutmaster, actively supports the blood donor program, and was one of the principal organizers of the Glenmore and Sam Houston schools PTA. He is also assistant to the faculty of both schools in the "Headstart" program for under-privileged Mexican-American children, and has been instrumental in sponsoring Christmas parties for the schools' children.



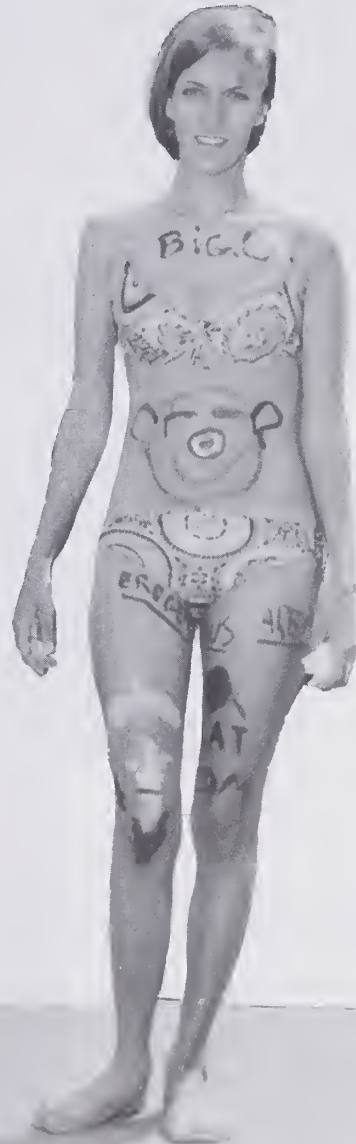
Ernest Gallegos is now 'officially' a distinguished citizen in the San Angelo area.

WHAT IS USASABA?

The United States Army Security Agency Benefit Association evolved from a fund set up by the 303rd Radio Research Battalion to commemorate comrades lost in Southeast Asia with memorial plaques. The idea spread to Agency NCO's who raised money for a command-wide memorial. Realizing that this effort still wasn't enough, the soldiers initiated an additional project and USASABA was born. For more pleasurable pictures promoting this program, please proceed through the next few pages.

A Helping Hand for the Hand that Helps is

Another Step
in the right direction!



A dollar a try—Mrs. Claudia Rickard allowed the personnel of Kagnew Station to paint her body for a donation to SABA. This helped her become 1st runner up in the 1971 SABA Queen Contest.

A true show of sportsmanship—SSG Nancy Carr accepted a \$100 SABA challenge to wear a bikini to work. COL Russell B. Jones, CO Kagnew Station hands nerry Nancy a letter of appreciation.



Barbie Striplin, Sue Ann Sherill, Claudia Rickard, Gail Pringle, Kathy Long and Carole Jermyn, SABA Queen candidates, await the announcement of the title at the 1971 SABA Ball.

Two men from the Naval Communications Station, Asmara somehow managed to borrow the Kagnew Station Post Cannon and the Kagnew Army Colors during SABA month. They held these until Army personnel of Kagnew Station could raise the set ransom fee.

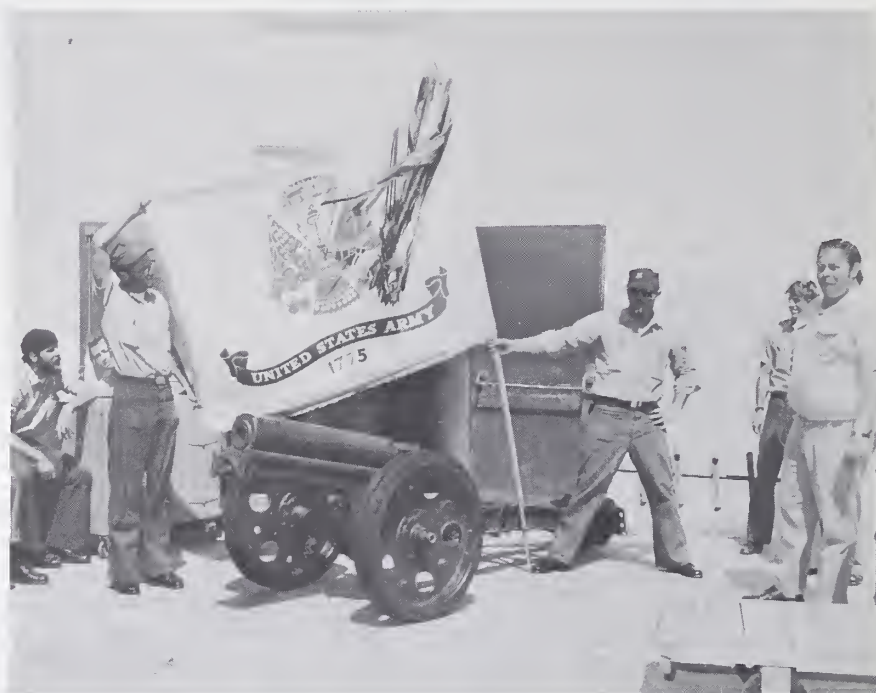
Money is not the only answer to today's problems. But the \$73,000 contributed by ASA units in 1971 to the United States Army Security Agency Benefit Association should solve a few difficulties and put a smile on some faces.

The purpose of USASABA is to aid the families of active duty ASA soldiers who die or receive severe injury resulting in long-term disability. This living memorial provides up to \$4,000 in tuition assistance which can be applied to a university or technical school.

Contributions and donations during 1971 prove that ASA men and women realize to the full extent the commitments that have been made through USASABA.

The Agency is somewhat smaller than it was a year ago, but this year's contributions are significant. The size and shape of the Agency may change, but its obligations still remain. Promises have been made and every effort will be made to fulfill them.

This year's \$73,000 in contributions and donations will be invested in interest-bearing activities. The interest will be reinvested and will also contribute toward the total assets of the Association. Because total obligations still outweigh contributions, the



Benefit Association needs the full support of all its members each year.

During the past year many units extended a whole-hearted effort to collect money for the Benefit Association. Carnivals, bake sales, beard growing contests and sports events attracted many spirited crowds.

Kagnew Station's SABA month was a tremendous success, with a total

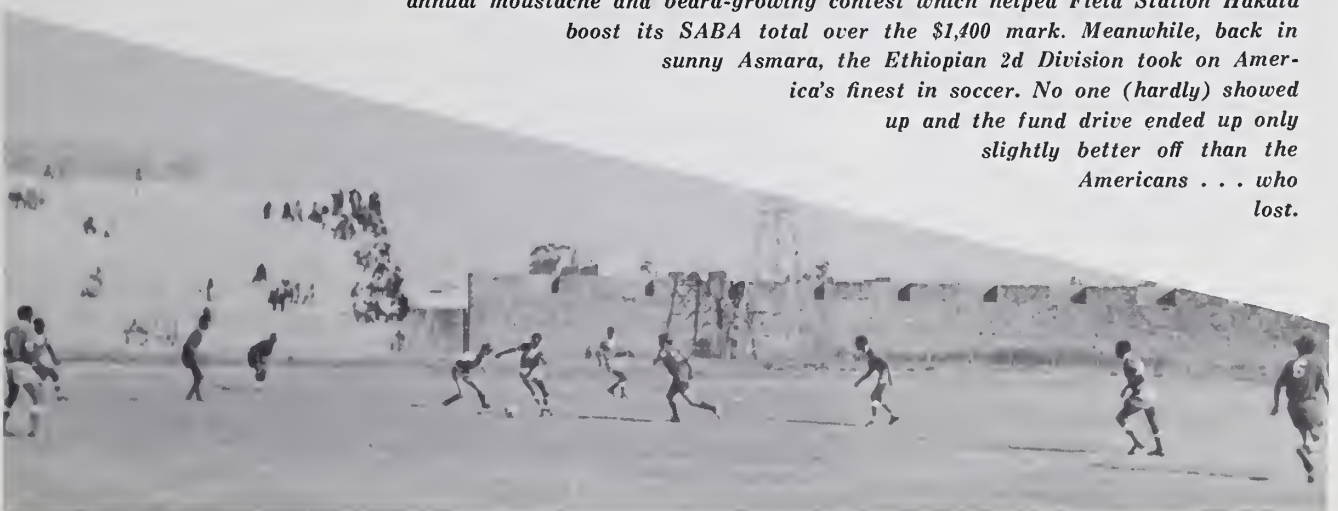
contribution of \$16,800, the result of much fun, ingenuity and generosity.

The 'month of madness' included the annual beard growing contest which was twice as successful as last year's. Beard growers had the option to pay \$10 and don a beard and civies or pay \$5 for either. A total of \$3,800 was collected from this event alone.



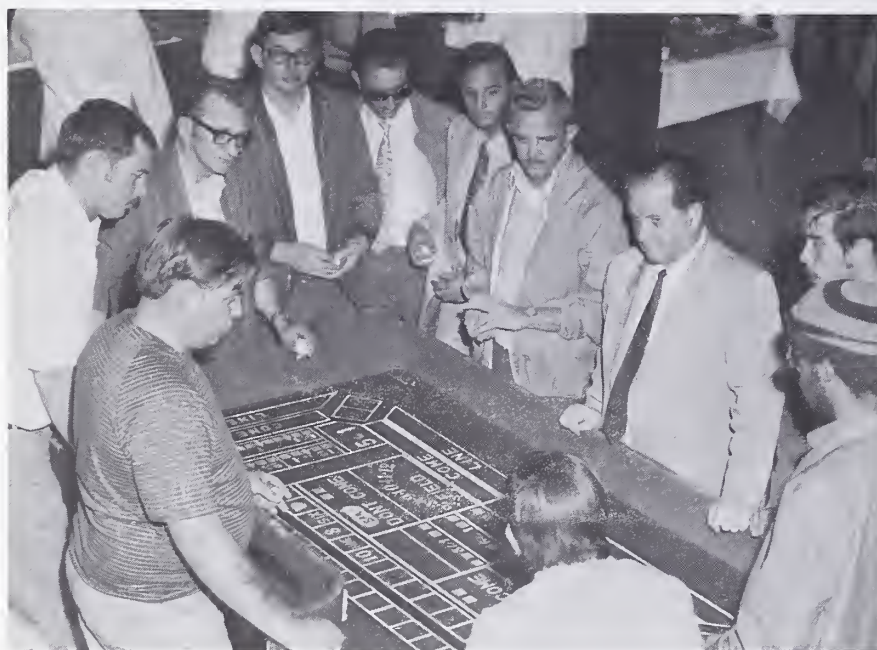
SABA

The thrill of victory . . . the agony of eating all those hamburgers at one setting. . . . But it was for a good cause and these guys are already thinking about eating burgers again . . . sometime . . . maybe a hundred years from now? In Japan, Anthony Orlandella and John DelGrosso were the winners of the annual moustache and beard-growing contest which helped Field Station Hakata boost its SABA total over the \$1,400 mark. Meanwhile, back in sunny Asmara, the Ethiopian 2d Division took on America's finest in soccer. No one (hardly) showed up and the fund drive ended up only slightly better off than the Americans . . . who lost.





Howard Hughes would have been proud of all this hot and heavy action. Casino Night really brought the crowds, big-time gamblers, the penny ante purists, all of them. And when SABA wins big, everybody is a winner.



Unique challenges at Kagnew gave a different look to the typical military scene in Ethiopia. Colonel Russell B. Jones, CO of the Field Station, accepted a dare from the Navy NCO's and sang "Anchors Aweigh" over the air on AFRTS AM to Kagnew residents and citizens of Asmara, and the SABA pot became a few coins richer. His secretary went even further and worked for an entire day in the command group's office in her bikini, for a modest donation to the association.

Kagnew also sponsored softball, bowling, golf and soccer tournaments. Twelve bathing beauties competed for the coveted title of SABA queen. At the close of the month, Mrs. Gail Pringle, representative of the Naval Communications Station, was crowned queen during the gala SABA ball.

But USASABA events are held world wide. Field Station Hakata sponsored its second annual beard growing contest with proceeds going to the Benefit Association. Men were

allowed 30 days to grow mustaches, beards or sideburns, with different monetary values assigned each category. (A beard cost the most.)

FS Sobe held a special year-end Christmas drive. A raffle for televisions and Christmas card and bake sales netted USASABA over \$1700.

The 224 Aviation Battalion (RR) donated over \$8,000, and the ASA Training Center and School at Ft. Devens, Mass. moved a giant step closer to the USASABA goal by collecting a whopping \$11,000.

Enthusiasm for USASABA events should remain high. New and different ideas such as lottery tickets sold at FS Phu Bai can be organized to benefit this worthwhile organization.

Don't wait until death or accident hits home before volunteering your assistance—the time is now. Give because you care.



Hit the target on the toss and send your boss into the drink . . . sounds good! (SPLASH!) Ten dunks by all-wet LTC Charles Alston netted SABA \$10. Below, Kagnev CO, COL Russell Jones gets the obvious pleasure of cutting a rug with SABA Queen Gail Pringle.



SABA!

Nothing but the Truth

Throughout childhood we hear many "honesty" tales. Stories of George Washington and the honor of Abraham Lincoln precede all others. The following article advises us to give character to our honesty.

A man once employed a genealogical expert to trace his ancestry. When asked to suppress the fact that the man's grandfather had been electrocuted for murder, the expert refused, but agreed to tell it in more elegant language. He reported that the grandfather had always had a great interest in electricity, and at length came to occupy the chair of electricity in one of the large institutions of New York State. He said that the man "died in harness" and gave his life for electricity. Every word was true, but the account gave a false impression.

There are many ways of being dishonest, ranging from a small boy's telling a deliberate lie to his mother, to a man's reporting a false income to the tax collector. One can be dishonest by keeping silent when a courageous

word would correct a false impression. Even a lifted eyebrow can create a wrong impression, though we say no word at all. We can be dishonest by telling only a part of the truth, and thus convey a distorted idea of the facts. We can also be dishonest by saying words which, taken by themselves, may be strictly true, but which will result in the wrong conclusions being drawn.

We hear that "honesty is the best policy," but he who acts upon this principle because of policy only is not an honest man. Such action implies an ulterior motive that gives character to an act. To be truly honest, one must be so at heart.

By Chaplain Harold Eslinger (AFPS)

Impressions

Representative W. C. (Dan) Daniel, (D-Va.), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Recruiting and Retention, House Armed Services Committee, relates his impressions of a recent trip to Fort Ord and Fort Carson:

The appearance of the soldiers I met at both of these posts was traditionally military. They were neat. They were energetic. These men have been given options which were not heretofore available, and in the main they choose not to take undue advantage of them.

The forty-hour workweek is in effect. Yet these men take pride in the accomplishment of their mission, working overtime when the need arises.

Beer is available in the barracks and mess halls. But consumption appears to have fallen below the levels previously maintained when they had to sneak beer into their quarters.

While the new Army regulations permit longer hair and easier standards of dress, the men with whom I visited and talked quite obviously take pride in their appearance. The troops I saw at these bases were hard-working, and they were being well-trained.

I want it understood that all is not roses; the millenium has not yet arrived, insofar as the problems of the military services are concerned. To be sure, I have visited only two of the bases involved in the program. It could very well be that upon further inquiry and examination of other

bases and other factors a different result will obtain.

I firmly believe that the American people have a need and a right to know the truth—the entire truth; not simply the facts which may make sensational headlines.

While I am not yet personally convinced that an all-volunteer quality force is obtainable or desirable, we are working toward that goal. If such an all-volunteer force is to evolve, then each of us has a responsibility to assist in improving the climate for change. In the absence of such a climate, where the substance and the image may be improved, the services cannot be improved.

As a result of what I read, I went to Fort Ord and Fort Carson virtually convinced that I would find—to paraphrase James Russell Lowell—an "unmotivated herd, who only sleep, feed," and cause trouble, that these men would be working when the mood struck them, and smoking pot or swilling beer, while they covertly plotted the overthrow of the government in dimly-lit coffee houses.

I must report to you today that I was shocked—pleasantly shocked. This is simply not what we found. Once more I had been misinformed, indeed misled, by the words of those who purported to report the facts.

Ideas and Opinions

"The mind stretched by a new idea never returns to the same dimension."



Football

HQASAPAC-Hawaii—The little Hel-elmano headquarters has pulled off its second major upset victory of the year. Last summer, the WOLFFPAC captured the US Army Hawaii (USA RHAW) Softball Tournament and the title "Best in Hawaii."

Not content to rest on these laurels, the WOLFFPAC's 1971 flag football team rolled up the most successful campaign in its history.

The squad's 18-1 record was enough to capture the Pineapple League title and three post season tournaments.

Not only did they grab the USA RHAW crown, they also made a tri-service sweep of the island by whipping the Air Force and Navy champs.

Bien Hoa, Vietnam—The 175th RR Field Station flag football season was more than just successful. The Rustlers, after mowing down all opponents in local competition, moved on to take three consecutive playoff games in winning the Third Regional Assistance Command championship.

The Rustlers outlasted the six finalists by demonstrating precision teamwork in both passing and blocking.

Rustler linebacker Thomas Price was voted MVP of the tourney. MG Wagstaff, CG of TRAC, presented individual trophies to the 175th champs.

7th RRFS, Thailand—The always powerful Ramasan Cobras wrapped up their third consecutive All-Thailand tackle football title with a 13-12 squeaker over the Bangkok Smokers.

Down 12-0 late in the second quarter, halfback Ellison Lawton squirted over from the one yard line for the Cobra's first TD.

In the third quarter, Lawton took a swing pass from quarterback John Deptula for the team's second tally. The point-after attempt was good and Ramasan had a 13-12 lead going into the fourth period.

The final quarter of action pro-

duced no points but the Cobras found themselves on their own 15 yard line with the Smokers trying for a last second field goal. But heroic Henry "Diesel" Ford used his head, literally, to block the soaring pig skin and the Cobras walked away with the crown.

FT Huachuca, Arizona—As winners of the 1971 post tackle football championship, the ASA "Mean Green" squad figured they would wrap up their spotless 6-0 season record with a win over previously beaten Headquarters Commandant in the Huachuca Bowl.

But the Mean Green was in for a surprise. A four-week layoff didn't help their condition any. And the fact that they had whipped these same opponents during regular season play perhaps explains their poor showing. (The commandant squad was definitely 'up.') Final Score—33-12 . . . ouch!

Basketball

Ft. Meade, Md.—The Support Gp "Generals" put it all together and won the Ft. Meade Holiday Tourna-



. . . even the camera was moving on this action shot taken at Ft. Meade, Md.

ment in late December. The four game contest was capped by a dramatic, one point victory over the 526th MP Bn. An excellent display of free throw accuracy kept the team in contention all the way.

FT. Devens, Mass.—The ASA All-

Stars might as well have been playing the Boston Celtics. The setting would have been the same. The score could not have been worse.

The ASA'ers, playing against the Ft. Devens All-Stars in Boston Garden, home of the Celtics, were murdered—simply and brutally.

The score was close until the opening tip-off. By halftime, ASA was down 44 to 13. The mismatch continued in like fashion through the second half with a final score of 88-39.

Actually, several of the Devens All-Stars are members of the same team and had the experience of playing together a whole season. There was added consolation for the ASA All-Stars who staved to watch the Celtics get whipped later that evening, on the same court.

ZOT

"All the news that fits, we print," may well be the publishing motto of the **Ft. Devens Dispatch**. We were fortunate to run across the following hot item and thought we'd pass it on for all the world to see.

"Police investigated an accident behind the Super Duper on Main Street. A trailer truck, operated by Robert S. Rugg of Hartland, Vermont and owned by the Cross Company of Hartford, Vermont, was attempting to turn around, and snapped a gas meter."

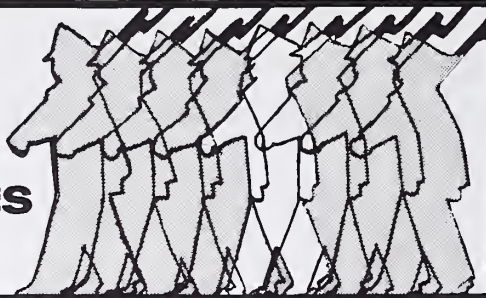
Admittedly, the blurb was buried deep in the "Local News" section of the paper and didn't even have its own headline . . . let's give it one: Zot!

Is there a photographer
in the house?
(Sure could use some good
action shots!)

THE

Missed

PERSONS
BUREAU



In December's Hallmark, a circulation update was included. Your immediate response to this along with the many encouraging comments we received is highly appreciated by the Hallmark staff. Some very missed persons also wrote in to say what they were doing:

LTC **David Paxton** is taking advantage of his GI Bill benefits. Now living in Albuquerque, New Mexico, he's studying to obtain a flight instructor's instrument rating. SFC **Bob Leisure** also found this to be an attractive city. He works as a salesman for a local lumber company . . . in his leisure time, of course.

And ladies—if you hate wash day and your clothes aren't whiter than white—contact SGM **Paul Ido** who has really “cleaned up” in his retirement years. He now works for a laundry company in the Albuquerque, New Mexico area.

CW3 **Joseph DesJardins** arrived in

Albuquerque in June. He's now made a full adjustment to civilian life and works for the Air Force at Kirtland Air Force Base.

“The ability to meet people from other countries” was a rewarding experience, says SFC **William Hayes**. The former operations Sergeant in the Provost Marshal's Office at Arlington Hall Station now lives in Fayetteville, NC.

Retiree MSG **David R. Hawks** attends Northern Virginia Community College. He started as a major in electronic technology, then switched to architectural technology with courses in business administration. “Hawks” may well be remembered as the jolliest Santa Arlington Hall ever had.

SFC **Charles Barbeau** lives in chilly Brainerd, Minnesota—quite a change from his last duty in sunny Saigonland. Although he says it's too early

to tell if his transition from military to civilian life has caused any real problems, he has started to sell real estate and may devote a little time to writing. CW2 **Bruce R. Peterson**, in St. Paul, Minn. not only kept the faith during his 20 years service, but is now pursuing a theology degree from Hamline University and hopes to become a minister.

CW4 **Horace Spence** can be found fishing near his home in Deltona, Florida. Let's hope he keeps his head above water in all his endeavors.

Woodbury, N.J. ain't like it used to be. We're sure-as-shootin' law and order is there to stay. SFC **John A. Juhas** is working for the Gloucester County Sheriff's Office as a Sheriff's Officer.

CPT **Jerry W. Schaeffer**, a former Hallmark staffer, is continuing his career as a journalist with the Arkansas Gazette in Little Rock, Ark. CPT **Louis Meyers** is a production manager at the Democrat Litho-Printing Company in Little Rock.

A member of the 2nd Signal Service Company, Corozal, Canal Zone, MAJ **Edward W. Bromble**, lives in Glen Burnie, Md.

Any member of this company (or any other for that matter) is welcome to write the Hallmark. The Missed Persons Bureau will be happy to serve as a locator for all former ASA employees through this monthly column.

Science & Medicine

Leakin' Lena

The Navy is apparently having a little difficulty with termites. The University of Hawaii, under a contract with the Office of Naval Research is investigating new methods of exterminating the termite without the use of insecticides. The new technique under development is to introduce a deadly disease to the colony capable of reaching epidemic proportions. They underestimated the termites' ingenuity though, for in some colonies the termites have the ability to detect that fellow termites have become infected. The healthy termites then proceed to round up the sick and wall them off in a quarantine-type of procedure.

Just why the Navy is after the little critters remains to be seen. Maybe they're thinking about wooden ships again . . .

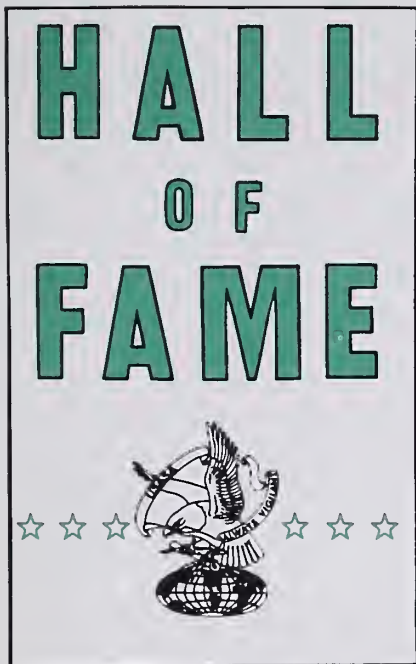
A Cool Tool

A rocket propulsion company has unveiled what at first glance appears to be a Buck Roger's ray gun. The new device is actually an easy-to-use metal-cutting torch. The self contained, hand-held torch with a specially designed rocket motor is capable of reaching flame temperature of over 5,000 degrees. Its usefulness in life-saving situations was demonstrated when the torch was used to extricate a driver trapped in the wreckage of an automobile under simulated accident conditions.

Filet of Soybean?

Keep an eye on your favorite foods—they may be changing. Bacon, made from soybean fibers, has already been put on the market. If the flavor secret can be found, there may be a falsified steak on your plate in the near future.

Stephen S. Chang, professor of food science at the Rutgers College of Agricultural and Environmental Science has, so far, classified 49 separate components in the flavor of boiled beef. Only a few of these ingredients are believed responsible for the meat's cooked flavor. A knowledge of the way these flavor compounds are formed could mean better tasting meat through improved selective breeding of meat animals.



Legion of Merit

LIEUTENANT COLONEL: Donald E. Grant (1), Donald M. Moreau.
MAJOR: Vernon L. Brown.

Bronze Star Medal

MAJOR: Robert L. Johnson, John C. Pignato (1).
FIRST LIEUTENANT: Robert A. Harlan.
SPECIALIST 4: Thomas C. Kutz.

Air Medal

SPECIALIST 5: Dennis A. Herx.

Meritorious Service Medal

COLONEL: George F. Garratt.
LIEUTENANT COLONEL: Charles F. Hudson Jr., Ronald K. Miller.
MAJOR: Richard C. Buczek (1), Russell, A. Powell, James T. Shannon.
CAPTAIN: John B. Adams Jr., John G. Arriza, Jerry C. Campbell, Glenwood R. Dobbins, Robert J. Montcalm, Conrad P. Skantz, Louis T. Thel.
FIRST LIEUTENANT: Edward A. Dreesman, James A. Shuchman.
CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 3: Robert L. Siemienkiewicz, Donald L. Walker.
CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2: Larry G. Decker, James N. McNaughton, Lloyd C. Peterson, William P. Raines.
FIRST SERGEANT: Joseph P. Gurette, Shelby A. Wooten.

MASTER SERGEANT: Thomas H. Crigler Jr., Paul M. Foley, Stanley W. Griffith, John P. Ozzello, James W. Van Luven (1).
SERGEANT FIRST CLASS: Donald L. Allen, Ray H. Allen, Douglas W. Bonnot, Willie J. Davis, John W. Johnson, Richard L. Klinger, Edward C. Myers, Dennis L. Pederson, John H. Ragan, Jerry M. Swords, Loyd N. Sybert, Theodore M. Taylor, Ramsey L. Yeatts.
STAFF SERGEANT: Donald I. Funk, Ronald E. Haerle, Robert E. Hughes.
SPECIALIST 6: Jack C. Creamer, Robert H. Holley.
SPECIALIST 5: Lawrence E. Ansley, James R. Jewett, Thomas E. Meadows.

Civilian Employees

Sustained Superior Performance

Elizabeth Buckley, Sofia Charron, Rose Corley, Warner Glaubitz, Isom Heard, Linwood Jones, Arthur Sawyer, Katherine Sours.

Outstanding Performance Rating

Delphine Anger, Anne Beauchemin,

Hugh S. Beaudoin, Elizabeth Buckley, George P. Buckley, Grady F. Catlett, Donna S. Chambers, Charlotte Clark, Rose Corley, Edna Deponia, Richard O. Doerr, George P. Drake, John Eaton, Irene Facemire, Edward F. Fortner, Warner Glaubitz, Henry B. Hoover Jr., Raymond Keener, Robert M. Lynn, Kevin McClure, Burton S. Mullins Jr., Elizabeth Murphy, Catherine O'Dowd, John M. O'Hara, Florence Potvin, John L. Ryan, Katherine E. Sours, Wayne Stram, Clarice Taylor, Everett A. Trezise, Violet Vukobratovich, Harold Waggoner, Lawrence E. Wheeler, Jean Wood.

Quality Pay Increase

Delphine Anger, Christian Apenes, Albert G. Duren Jr., Anthony Horman, Beatrice M. Legendre, Burton S. Mullins Jr., John Ryan, Richard G. Thompson.

Certificate of Achievement

Jack Clifford, Wayne Stram.

Meritorious Civilian Service Award

Jesse Hodges.

Are You a Registered Voter?

February has been designated Voter Registration Month—1972. Nearly 100 percent of the Army is eligible to vote in this year's General elections since 18 year olds now have the privilege. The 26th Amendment to the Constitution enables an additional 11 million people to vote. Of this total, nearly 675,000 are members of the Armed Forces.

The efforts to get people to the polls next November 7 will be partially in vain unless you take the initiative now and register with your home state. This can be accomplished by mail and the best way to get exact information and correct addresses is to see your Voting or Legal Assistance Officer.

By now he should have DA Pam 360-503, and thus the answers to your questions. (Am I a legal resident of the state I'm serving in? Or in my home state? Or in both? Can I register if I'm not 18 yet? Can people

overseas vote? etc., etc.)

If you are a legal resident of New Hampshire, Florida or Illinois and stationed overseas or in another state and have failed to register as a voter—you'll probably not be allowed to participate in this year's Presidential primary to be held in March. However, your vote can still count next November . . . if you register now.



Maybe you're one of them. Are you one of those people who call me on the telephone or write me a letter to tell me my troopers are stopping motorists and giving them tickets for "no reason at all?" I wouldn't know—you never gave your name!

You tell me you're a good citizen and a safe driver just using the interstate for what it was intended—speed. And that "dumb cop" gave you a ticket.

You break my heart! I hope the next time you're tearing down the road at 85 m.p.h. that trooper catches you again. I hope he gives you another ticket and the traffic judge takes your license away.

I hope he catches you before you smash into a concrete bridge abutment at 85 m.p.h. and he has to pry your lifeless body out of that crushed speed machine.

I hope we can teach you a lesson with a ticket so maybe you won't cause a wreck and kill somebody else. You really break my heart telling me you don't have time to go to court about that ticket. I wish you could come with me to the scene of a wreck sometime.

I wish I could make you stand and watch a man writhe in the gravel on the shoulder of a highway while he waits for an ambulance that will be there too late to do anything but carry him to the morgue! I wish I could make you help scrape the bits of bone and flesh of a whole family off the asphalt and into baskets.

You'd vomit—just like my troopers do; but then you'd think differently the next time you climbed into that car of yours.

You said you were driving safely when the trooper stopped you. The road was clear and there was no harm in edging over the speed limit a few miles per hour—you said.

I'm really impressed with your ability to judge road conditions. I'm only sorry that a trooper wasn't at

that place a few moments ago when a man with a wife and four children had a blowout at over 80 m.p.h. He might have slowed him down, and his children would still have a father and his wife a husband.

Oh, am I getting you mad again? That man might have been made if the trooper had stopped him. He might have written me a letter. But he'd be alive.

Your letter doesn't bother me, friend. What bothers me is that apparently you haven't learned your lesson. You're probably going to get back behind the wheel of your car thinking you own the road and nothing can happen to you. You don't think about the other people on the road who want to go on living.

And you gave your kid driving lessons? You? Then he's probably gotten a couple of tickets too. It's no wonder he weaves in and out of traffic, speeds, and leaves strips of burning rubber at stop lights.

I hope we can catch him too, mister, before we have to call you and your wife to come to identify his body at the morgue. I don't want to watch you crying and wishing you hadn't let him

have the car until he learned to drive maturely.

And you say you want my troopers to let you off with a warning. What you really want is for us to stop doing our jobs!

You want us to let you go until you meet another guy just like yourself—head on!

I wish you could come with me to a wreck and see the seared body of a victim after the fire department has finished its job of extinguishing 15 gallons of gasoline. I wish you could go with me to her home and help me tell her husband that his wife isn't coming home because some idiot ran her off the road while trying to pass her. I want you to help him explain why mommy won't be home.

You're mad because you got the ticket, and have to take time off from work to go to court.

You break my heart, mister!

